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IURC Electricity Division Announces Organizational Change

Commission dedicates staff and resources to RTOs and FERC

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC" or "Commission") recently announced an organizational change within its electricity division. The change is in response to the growing needs of the industry and increased role of regional transmission organizations (RTOs) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) at the state level.

The IURC collaborated with regulated electric utilities in Indiana and listened to their recommendations, which included assigning technical staff members and an attorney to RTO and FERC matters, increasing participation at committee workgroups and establishing regular meetings to evaluate needs and provide updates on RTO and FERC activity. The result of these collaborations is a newly organized "team" that has been chartered with comprehending, evaluating and recommending policy and positions to the IURC Executive Team and Commissioners for all matters regarding MISO, PJM and FERC.

The team will consist of the following members:

- Dave Johnston Chief Technical Advisor
- Bob Pauley Chief Technical Advisor
- Beth Roads Legal Counsel

In addition to the responsibilities listed above, the team will also represent the IURC at RTO committee meetings and provide counsel on all docketed activities that come before the Commission.

Concurrent with the above organizational change, the electricity and energy policy divisions have been combined into one. Additionally, Dale Thomas has been named Assistant Director of the Electricity Division and will assume direct supervisory responsibility for all its analysts.

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The Commission is a fact-finding body that hears evidence in cases filed before it and makes decisions based on the evidence presented in those cases. An advocate of neither the public nor the utilities, the IURC is required by state statute to make decisions that balance the interests of all parties to ensure the utilities provide adequate and reliable service at reasonable prices.